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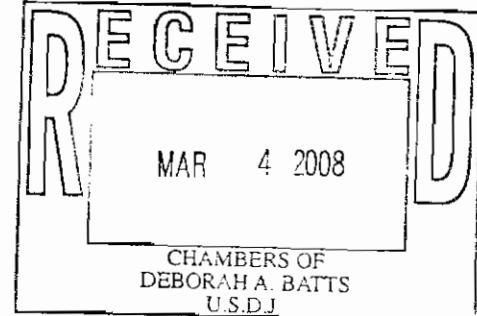
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March 3, 2008

**BY HAND**

Honorable Deborah A. Batts  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street, Room 2510  
New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. Eddie Speller,  
07 Cr. 1224 (DAB)



Dear Judge Batts:

The Government respectfully requests that time be excluded in the above-referenced matter for purposes of the Speedy Trial Act from March 3, 2008, until March 17, 2008, when the next pre-trial conference is scheduled before this Court. The Government makes this request, with the consent of counsel for Mr. Speller, to permit the Government and the defense to continue discussions regarding a disposition before trial. The ends of justice served by such a continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A).

DAB / GRANTED  
3/05/08  
n.p.t.  
3/03/08

Very truly yours,

**SO ORDERED**

*Deborah A. Batts*

DEBORAH A. BATTIS  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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